

## **Trinity Lutheran Church**

Third Sunday of Easter  
April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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304 E. Ferris Street  
Galesburg, IL 61401

*“the welcome place”*

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### **+++GATHERING+++**

Today’s gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord’s day.

## Welcome - Please Sign Friendship Registry

*The red ELW hymnal and the purple ACS hymnal are in the pew racks*

*(Stand)*

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne  
and to the Lamb!

**Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.

You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:

morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish.

Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness

who accompanies us on our journeys.

We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.

We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.  
Break down barriers that divide us.  
Fill us with the breath of peace.  
Blessed are you.  
**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,  
and for making us a new creation.  
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,  
now and forever.  
**Amen.**

### **Gathering Hymn**

Look Who Gathers At Christ's Table,  
ACS (purple) #977

### **Greeting**

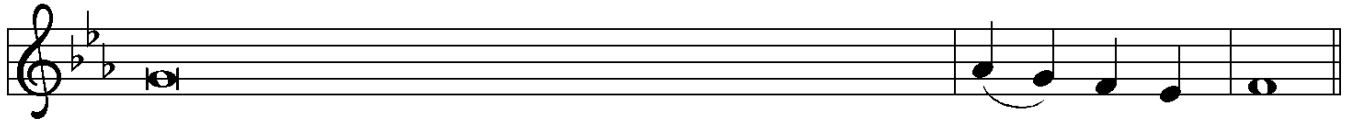
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



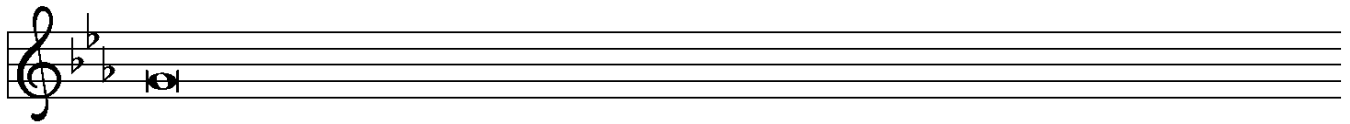
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



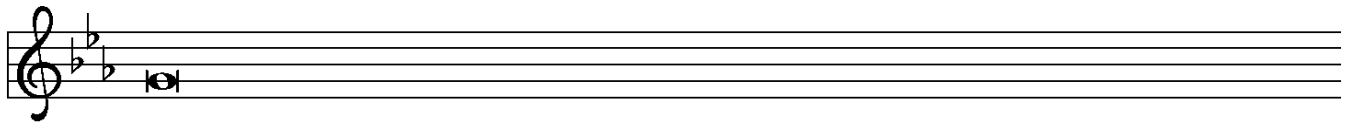
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and  
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



**<sup>2</sup> for the Lord has given | ear to me  
whenev- | er I called.**

<sup>3</sup>The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave | came upon me;

I came to | grief and sorrow.

**<sup>4</sup> Then I called upon the name | of the Lord:  
“O Lord, I pray you, | save my life.”**

<sup>12</sup> How shall I re- | pay the Lord  
for all the good things God has | done for me?

**<sup>13</sup> I will lift the cup | of salvation  
and call on the name | of the Lord.**

<sup>14</sup> I will fulfill my vows | to the Lord  
in the presence of | all God’s people.

**<sup>15</sup> Precious in your | sight, O Lord,  
is the death | of your servants.**

<sup>16</sup> O Lord, truly I | am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed  
me | from my bonds.

**<sup>17</sup> I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving  
and call upon the name | of the Lord.**

<sup>18</sup> I will fulfill my vows | to the Lord  
in the presence of | all God’s people,

**<sup>19</sup> in the courts of | the Lord’s house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. | Hallelujah!**

## **Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-23**

<sup>17</sup> If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person’s work, live in fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup> You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup> He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup> Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God.

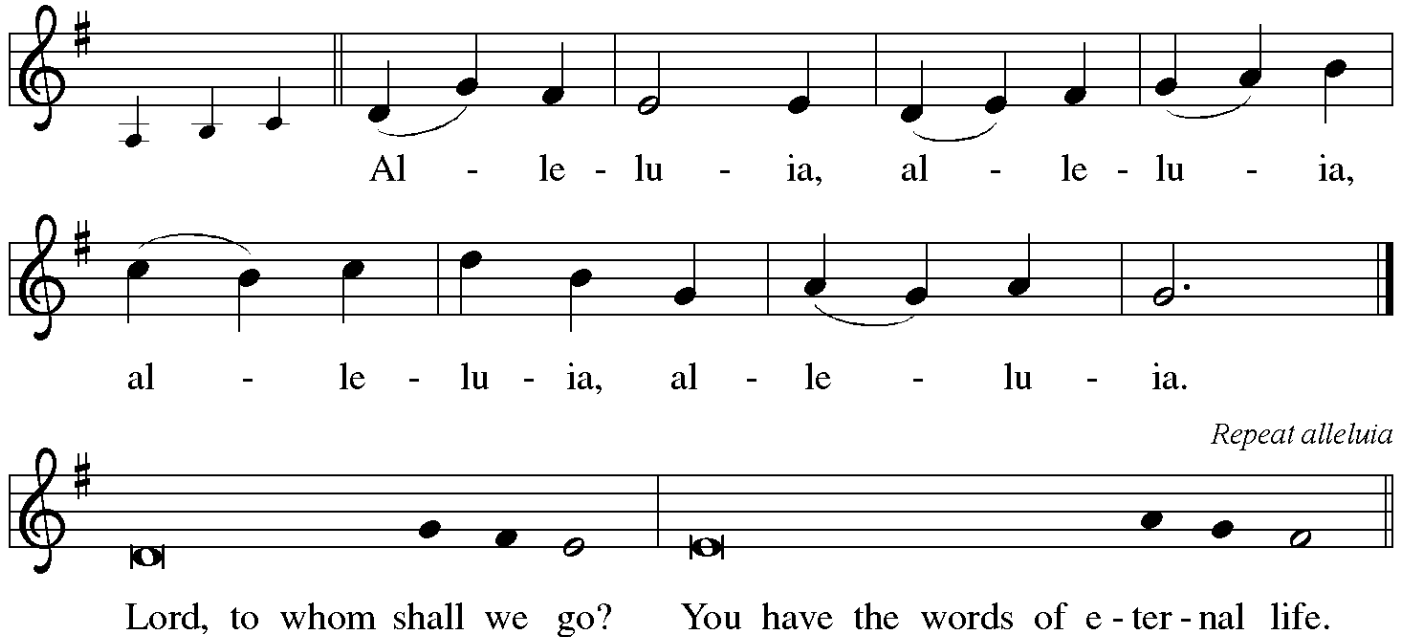
<sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup> You have been born anew, not of

perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*(Stand)*

### Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

### Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” <sup>19</sup> He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to

death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Sit)*

**Children’s Message**

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

*(Stand)*

**Hymn of the Day**

Day of Arising, ELW(red), #347

**Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the  
dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*(Sit)*

## **Prayers of Intercession**

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

*A brief silence.*

Living Savior, just as you journeyed with the disciples to Emmaus, accompany us on our journey of faith. Gather us at your table, that we recognize you in the breaking of the bread. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Almighty God, you provide for the needs of all creation. Bless the fields that are being prepared for planting, and send favorable weather so that the soil may yield an abundant harvest. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

God of justice, where leaders abuse power, confront them and call them to repentance. Where there is corruption, bring integrity; where there is violence, sow peace. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Healing Savior, your resurrection brings hope to a hurting world. Heal those who are sick, especially Robert and Hal. Strengthen the weary, give courage to the despairing, and comfort the dying. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Gracious One, you have made us your own through the gift of baptism. Unite us in genuine love for one another and uphold this community in your name. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Eternal Light, we give thanks for Olavus Petri, Laurentius Petri and all who have nurtured your church's life in ages past, especially Lester Sr. Bring us at last with them to the brightness of your glorious presence. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We offer to you these prayers as well as those we now name to you either aloud or in our hearts.

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**Amen.**

## **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(you may offer each other a sign of peace)*

**+++MEAL+++**

**Offertory Music** Let Us Talents & Tongues Employ David Cherwien

*(Stand)*

## **Offering Prayer**

Merciful God,

accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.

You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more.

Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love.

In the name of Jesus,

**Amen.**

## **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**It is right to give our thanks and praise**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;

who in dying has destroyed death,  
 and in rising has brought us to eternal life.  
 And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of  
 the resurrection,  
 with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
 and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW (red), Setting 1, pg. 108

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,  
 his life-giving death and glorious resurrection,  
 we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:  
carry us in your arms from death to life,  
that we may live as your chosen ones,  
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time  
of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours, now and forever.  
Amen.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

Come to the table of new life.  
Receive the risen Lord.

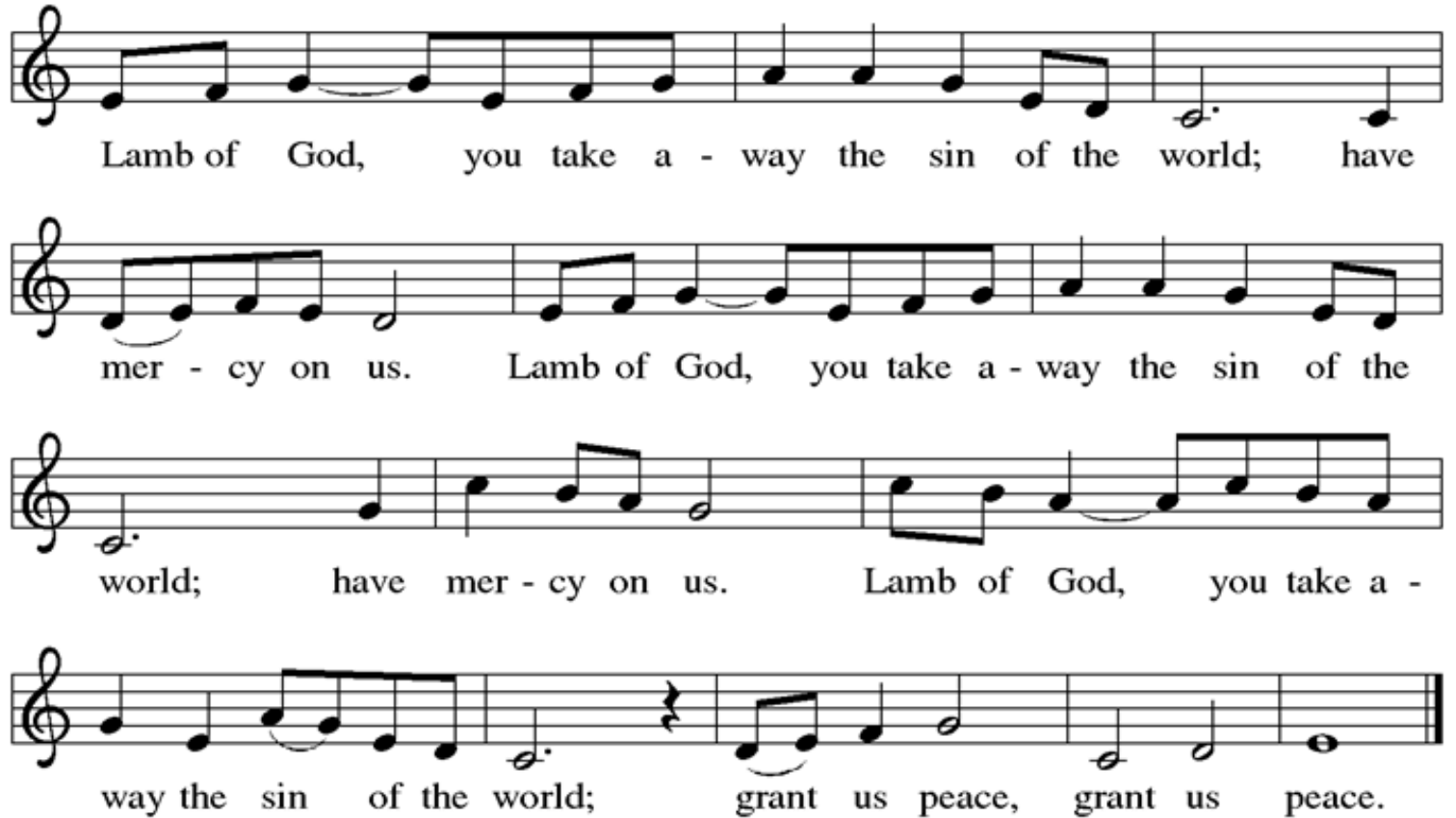
*All are welcome to receive communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. If you wish to receive you may come forward as dismissed by the usher and will be given a wafer in the center aisle. Then you may take a small cup from the tray. Red wine is along the outside, and white grape juice is located in the center of the tray. Gluten free bread is also available. Place empty cups in the bowls located at the side aisle as you return to your pew. If you prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, you may indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest as you come forward.*

*(Sit)*

## Distribution of Communion

Lamb of God

ELW (red), Setting 1, pg. 112



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Communion Music*

*This Joyful Eastertide*

*Michael Burkhardt*

*(Stand)*

## Post-Communion Hymn

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ,  
ELW (red) #674

## Prayer After Communion

Holy One,  
through this meal you have made your home among us  
and are making all things new.  
Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,  
to love our enemies,  
and to bring your healing to the nations.  
In the name of Jesus,  
**Amen.**

## +++SENDING+++

### Blessing

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,  
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,  
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,

✠ bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

### Sending Hymn

The Peace of the Lord, ACS (purple) #464

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

### Postlude Music Let Us Talents & Tongues Employ J. Wayne Kerr

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*As you leave, please take a moment to greet one another.*

**Today's radio broadcast was sponsored by John & Margaret Thulin**

### Worship Participants

Audio: Grant Robinson

Video: Sarah Brakenbury

Ushers: Layton & Nancy Sandall

Communion Setup: Janet Page

Assisting Minister: Nick Elders

Reader: Laura Saey

Wine Servers: Marilyn Gehring, Annie Maier

Coffee Fellowship: Kathy Bell & Kristy Johnson

Acolytes: Cecilia Crawford

Closing Duties: Nancy Sandall

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

Organist: Bette Mohr

Choir Director: Janell Johnson

## Announcements

**Coffee Fellowship will be immediately after service.**

**Olavus Petri, priest, died 1552; Laurentius Petri, Bishop of Uppsala, died 1573; renewers of the church**

These two brothers are commemorated for their introduction of the Lutheran movement to the Church of Sweden after studying at the University of Wittenberg. They returned home and, through the support of King Gustavus Vasa, began their work. Olavus published a catechism, hymnal, and a Swedish version of the mass. He resisted attempts by the king to gain royal control of the church. Laurentius was a professor at the university in Uppsala. When the king wanted to abolish the ministry of bishops, Laurentius persuaded him otherwise. The historic episcopate continues in Sweden to this day. Together the brothers published a complete Bible in Swedish and a revised liturgy in 1541.

**Prayer List:** If you or loved ones need prayers, please fill out the salmon-colored form located on the bulletin table in the Narthex, and return it to the Office mailbox or drop it in the offering plate.

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Prayers for...</u></b>
Robert Sherman	Healing, strength & recovery
Hal	Healing & recovery
Friends & Family of Lester Johnson Sr.	Peace

### **This Week at Trinity**

Sun, April 19 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship
	10:45 am	Sunday School
	5:30 pm	Prisms
Tues, April 21 <sup>st</sup>	7:00 pm	Committee Meetings
Wed, April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11:00 am	Sack Lunch Program
	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
Sat, April 25 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm	Grace Evening Service

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes, Pastor, Out-of-office: Friday  
Cell phone: 618-803-8778  
Church Office: Phone 309-343-4191  
Hours 8:30 am – 12:30 pm, Monday-Friday  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays; Worship 5:00 pm; Holy Communion  
Sunday Worship at 9:30 am; Holy Communion  
Sunday Radio Ministry at 9:30 am on WRAM – 1330 AM, Facebook

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**Vision Statement**  
**Developing Disciples – Connecting to Christ**

**Mission Statement**

**Led by the Spirit, we receive Christ's love, share God's forgiving grace, and reach out to welcome, encourage and serve all.**

**Welcome Statement**

At Trinity Lutheran Church, we believe God's grace is extended to everyone. Members of Trinity Lutheran Church are freed by the Gospel to seek reconciliation and wholeness. We welcome people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, whether believer, doubter, or seeker. In Christ's love we invite you, so that led by the power of the Holy Spirit we will join together to strive for racial equity, justice, peace, and love in all the earth.

**Our Guiding Principles**

1. Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.
2. We faithfully worship through Word and Sacrament.
3. We invite and welcome everyone.
4. We engage all generations in education and ministry.
5. We serve local and global communities.